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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17, applicants hereby petition for a ONE (1) month extension of time from December 7, 2005 to January 7, 2006 to file an Appeal Brief.

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